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FILING DATE: April 23, 2001 EXAMINER: Hoosain, Allan  
TITLE: ANSWERING MACHINE DETECTION FOR VOICE MESSAGE  
DELIVERY METHOD AND SYSTEM

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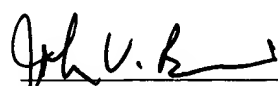
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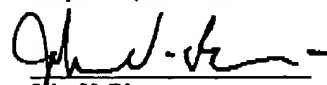
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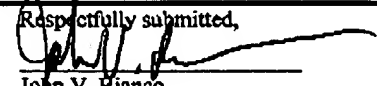
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